

REMARKS

In light of the above amendatory matter and remarks to follow, reconsideration and allowance of this application are respectfully solicited.

Claim 6 was objected to. Claim 6 has been amended in the manner suggested by the Examiner and is believed to obviate that objection.

The Examiner objected to the form of claims 1 and 7 in that the expression "a value approximate to" was uncertain. It is believed the specification describes what is meant by this expression, especially with reference to drawing Fig. 23 and associated text. Nevertheless, in an effort to expedite the prosecution of this application to its successful conclusion, this expression in claims 1 and 7 is replaced. It is urged that claims 1-12, in their present form, are in condition for allowance.

As the Examiner found, these claims, as originally presented, are patentably distinct over the cited prior art cited by the Examiner. It is submitted that these claims were in full compliance with the requirements of 35 USC 112. Changes to these claims, as presented herein, are not made for the purpose of patentability within the meaning of 35 USC sections 101, 102, 103 or 112. Rather, these changes are made simply for clarification and to improve their form.

The Notice of Allowance of claims 1-12 is respectfully solicited.

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